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SUBJ: MILLIYET INTERVIEW WITH KYPRIANOU

1. MILLIYET MAY 29 PRINTED AN INTERVIEW OF CYPRUS
PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU BY ITS MANAGING EDITOR ABDI IPEKCI,
ONE OF TURKEY'S BEST KNOWN AND MOST RESPECTED JOURNALISTS.

2. KYPRIANOU MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS DURING THE WIDE-
RANGING INTERVIEW:

A. THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS ARE UNACCEPTABLE AS A
BASIS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

B. THE GREEK CYPRIOTS HAD MADE A GREAT CONCESSION IN 1977
BY AGREEING TO A FEDERATION ("AN ARTIFICIAL SOLUTION").
THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS "KILL" THE IDEA OF FEDERA-
TION.

C. MEETING WITH DENKTASK WOULD BE OF NO USE "BECAUSE I
KNOW WHAT HE THINKS."

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D. MEETING WITH ECEVIT IS ESSENTIAL IF PROGRESS TO BE
MADE. (KYPRIANOU RETURNED TO THE THEME AT LEAST HALF
A DOZEN TIMES DURING THE INTERVIEW.)

E. THE FOUR POINTS AGREED TO BY MAKARIOS AND DENKTASH
ARE "OPEN TO INTERPRETATION." THE PROBLEMS OF CYPRUS

EXTNED BEYOND THE FOUR POINTS.

F. GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS CAN LIVE TOGETHER HAPPILY BECAUSE OF (NOT DESPITE) THE BITTER EXPERIENCES OF THE PAST. THE BITTER EXPERIENCES WERE ALWAYS THE RESULT OF OUTSIDE INTERVENTION. IF TURKISH TROOPS ARE WITHDRAWN, THE TURKISH AND GREEK CYPRIOTS WILL RUSH BACK TO THEIR ORIGINAL HOMES.

G. THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS ARE DESIGNED TO PARTITION THE ISLAND.

H. THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS ARE DESIGNED TO INFLUENCE THE US CONGRESS TO LIFT THE EMBARGO.

I. GREEK CYPRIOT REFUSAL TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSALS AS THE BASIS FOR RESUMPTION OF THE TALKS IS NOT AN EFFORT TO INFLUENCE CONGRESS.

J. THE EMBARGO HAS NOT MADE TURKEY FLEXIBLE BECAUSE THE USG HAS CONSISTENTLY PROMISED TO LIFT IT. IF THE CONGRESS RECONFIRMS THE EMBARGO, IT WILL BE EFFECTIVE. THE EMBARGO SHOULD BE MAINTAINED BECAUSE TURKEY VIOLATED AMERICA'S LAWS.

K. THE OBJECT OF THE 1974 COUP IN CYPRUS WAS OUSTER OF UNCLASSIFIED

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MAKARIOS AND "PERHAPS PARTITION. THIS WAS THE AGREEMENT, SINCE TURKEY INVADED THE ISLAND AT THE SAME TIME... TURKEY TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE COUP. TURKEY WAS NOT AGAINST THE COUP. THIS WAS PART OF THE GAME."
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